

TORRANCE COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 37

**A RESOLUTION DELEGATING SIGNATURE AUTHORITY
TO THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE NECESSARY
DOCUMENTATION RELATED TO OPIOID SETTLEMENT
FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic has had negative health, social and economic impacts on communities in the United States, to include Torrance County; and

WHEREAS, the current opioid epidemic has been exacerbated by the over prescription and dissemination on prescription opioids; and

WHEREAS, states and local governments have entered into class action lawsuits and legal settlements with major pharmaceutical opioid manufacturers, marketers, distributors and retailers; and

WHEREAS, opioid settlement funding has been provided to states and local governments to fund a variety of initiatives aimed at addressing the opioid crisis, including prevention, treatment and recovery programs; and

WHEREAS, Torrance County anticipates additional class action lawsuits and settlements arising for which the County would be an eligible as a party to the litigation and could receive additional funding to aid with opioid treatment and prevention programming in Torrance County; and

WHEREAS, documentation related to participation in opioid litigation and litigation settlements often require immediate written response from the County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Torrance County that the Commission hereby delegates signature authority to the County Manager to execute necessary documentation related to opioid settlement funding, to include the County's participation in the litigation and acceptance settlement funding.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 10 DAY OF September, 2025.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF TORRANCE COUNTY:



Ryan Schwebach, Chair, District 2



Kevin McCall, Vice Chair, District 1



Linda Jaramillo, Member, District 3

ATTEST:



Sylvia Chavez, Torrance County Clerk


Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Michael Garcia, Torrance County Attorney

